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LETTER AND FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
CONCURRENCE WITH SOIL SAMPLES FOR ARSENIC IN OUTLYING LANDING NAS  
WHITING FIELD FL  
4/11/2001  
FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



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RE: Analysis of Soil for Arsenic at Outlying Landing Fields

Dear Mr. Holland:

I have reviewed the above document dated April 3, 2001 (received April 9, 2001). The document describes soil sampling locations and analytical results for arsenic at four outlying landing fields associated with, but not adjacent to, NAS Whiting Field. Those facilities are Pace Field, Spencer Field, Santa Rosa Field and Harold Field. There are no known contaminated sites at those fields. Utilizing the information furnished in the document and in comparison with similar data from NAS Whiting Field, the Navy has requested a determination that arsenic levels observed at NAS Whiting Field are comparable with those seen at the outlying landing fields and that they are in naturally occurring concentrations.

Based on my review of those data, I have concluded that arsenic levels observed in soils at NAS Whiting Field are within the range of concentrations observed at the outlying fields and that they therefore are in naturally occurring concentrations. This determination may be applied only to arsenic in the soil for sites at NAS Whiting Field for which sufficient data presently exist. Please be aware that this finding does not preclude a future determination of a release of arsenic at any particular site if information and data warrant that conclusion.

If you have questions or need further clarification please contact me at (850) 921-4230.

Sincerely,

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